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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:

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For: MULTI-PLANE ACQUISITION IN DIGITAL X-RAY RADIOGRAPHY

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 3, 4 and 8 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

1. (Amended) A method for acquiring digital x-ray images, said method comprising:

identifying scan parameters designating slices of interest from a patient anatomy;

calculating scan ranges for each of said slices, said scan ranges corresponding to distances traveled by each of a detector and x-ray tube while said x-ray tube exposes said detector to radiation;